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**RESOLUTION CONCERNING A HIGH SPEED PUBLIC
WIRELESS INTERNET SERVICE**

WHEREAS, internet service has become an integral and essential part of our daily life, and

WHEREAS, widely accessible high speed internet service through public wireless internet hot spots has been a valuable and almost necessary service that is often needed for successful commercial development, and

WHEREAS, West Hartford has unique assets including a data center and a fiber network that is connected to almost all of the public buildings creating opportunities, and

WHEREAS, all of West Hartford Center has retail, restaurants and commercial businesses that would benefit from the creation of multiple wireless access points and this amenity would assist with business retention and attraction and strengthen the growth of existing commercial market in the Center.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD THAT the Town Manager is requested to evaluate opportunities and the technical potential and need as well as the cost of installing state of the art high speed public wireless internet service in West Hartford Center with the eventual goal of creating similar Wi-Fi hot spots across our community.

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